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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Akira KIKITSU, et al.  
SERIAL NO: 10/668,231  
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FOR: PERPENDICULAR MAGNETIC RECORDING MEDIUM



"RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116-  
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In response to the Office Action of April 5, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.